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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated June 12, 2001, and the Notice of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional) dated August 8, 2001, please amend the subject patent application as described below.

In the Specification:

Please delete the "Abstract of the Disclosure" on pages 36-37, and substitute therefor the following Abstract of the Disclosure.

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In the Figures:

Delete Figures 1 – 5 and substitute therefor new Figures 1 – 5, attached, which are now in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 with respect to excessive text and margins, the specific deficiencies which were pointed out in the above-referenced Notices.

REMARKS

In light of the above amendment, consideration of the subject patent application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);
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